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MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR CLAIMANT STAFF CHAPLAINS

Subj: MILITARY CHAPLAINS ASSOCIATION DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

- 1. Every year, the Military Chaplains Association (MCA) presents Distinguished Service Awards to chaplains serving with each of the uniformed services. The award is presented to encourage excellence in the practice of chaplaincy.
- 2. Award recipients will be honored at a ceremony the week of April 20 22, 2004, during The Military Chaplains Association's 2004 National Institute.
- 3. This is an opportunity to recognize those chaplains that have worked hard and met the challenges of today's ministry. I look forward to reviewing the nominations from each Service and claimancy. The primary standard for nomination should be the consistent demonstration of excellence in ministry, as defined by the standards of your claimancy or Service.

4. Please submit nominations to LT Paul Tremblay at (703) 693-5407, DSN 223-5407, or email <u>paul.tremblay@navy.mil</u>, by February 14, 2004. All submissions should include a written recommendation, biographical data, and a photograph.

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